

AMENDMENTS TO SPECIFICATION

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Since a countdown timer benefits to human life for by notifying people of an important event, it has been widely used in the human life and has widely wide applications, such as ~~used use~~ in a watch, a clock, . (Original) The electronic device as claimed in claim 1, wherein ~~customers consumer~~ electronics, ~~uninterrupted uninterruptible power system systems~~, etc. for ~~informing indicating~~ the setting time to people or a preset time for executing an operation. However, ~~in during~~ use of the known countdown timer, the user must set the time to be counted down, while the setting process will consume some time so that the time period elapsed will result in that the set time is no synchronous with the current time. If the user desires to adjust this error, it costs ~~an~~ additional time, and further it is very difficult to cancel the error completely. For example, in some ~~application applications~~, a specific apparatus must be activated or an operation must be executed at an integral time point, such as the hour, the half hour, or the quarter hour. Therefore, the user must ~~takes take~~ some time to set the time period to be counted down, while, as the setting is completed, the actual time to be counted down is shorter than the set time. Therefore, the conventional countdown timer cannot meet the actual requirement. Therefore, it is desirable to provide an improved electronic device to mitigate and/or obviate the aforementioned problems.

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To achieve the object, the electronic device of the present invention comprises: an input unit for operating the electronic device; an integral time point selector for setting an integral time point ~~at which the counting down period is to end (such as the next hour, next half hour, or next quarter hour)~~; a timer for recording a current time; a synchronous calculating unit for reading the integral time point from the integral time point selector and reading the current time from the timer to determine the time interval from the current time to the next integral time point for being ~~used use~~ as a counting down time period from the synchronous calculating unit.

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Referring to Fig. 1, there is illustrated a functional block diagram for one preferred embodiment of the electronic device capable of counting down to an integral time point in accordance with the present invention. The electronic device of the present invention includes an input unit 11, an output/input buffer device 12, an integral time point selector 13, a timer 14, a synchronous calculating unit 15, a counter 16, a ~~ready-read~~ only memory (ROM) 17, a random access memory (RAM) 18, a quartz oscillator 19, an output unit 20, etc. the ~~ready-read~~ only memory 17 serves for storing program code for controlling ~~the operation of~~, for example, a counting down operation. The random access memory 18 provides a memory space for executing a program.